

## Small Business Resources

### Resources for Small Business

Both the State of Mississippi and the Federal Government offer resources to help existing small businesses grow and to help new entrepreneurs make their small business ideas a reality. Here are some important resources that are available to both existing small businesses and new entrepreneurs.

#### The Internal Revenue Service

The IRS is the governing body that is responsible for implementing tax provisions, as well as, providing the public with information on how to take advantage of tax provisions they are eligible for. To find more information on how to take advantage of these tax provisions and other small business tax issues, visit the Internal Revenue Service small business page at [www.irs.gov/businesses/small](http://www.irs.gov/businesses/small)

#### The Small Business Administration

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) was created in 1953 as an independent agency of the federal government to aid, counsel, assist and protect the interests of small business concerns, to preserve free competitive enterprise and to maintain and strengthen the overall economy of our nation. The SBA helps Americans start, build and grow businesses. The SBA offers several assistance and loan programs to help small business grow. The SBA also assists small businesses in obtaining federal contracts as well as providing specialized assistance to veteran, women, and minority owned small businesses. For more information visit the SBA website by [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov).

#### Small Business Development Centers

Mississippi Small Business Development Centers (MSBDC) are located at various universities and Economic Development Centers across the state. It is a statewide partnership between higher education and economic development organizations dedicated to providing emerging and established business owners with assistance. The SBDCs offer small business counseling, workshops and events concerning small business growth, and can assist with

loan and contracting procurement. SBDC's near Mississippi's 1st Congressional District are below. For more information you can visit the SBDC Network website at <http://www.olemiss.edu/depts/mssbdc/> or by calling 1-800-725-7232.

#### MSBDC State Office at the University of Mississippi

P. O. Box 1848

B-19 Jeanette Phillips Drive

University, MS 38677-1848

Phone: (662) 915-5001

Fax: (662) 915-5650

Toll-Free in MS: 1-800-725-7232

e-mail: [msbdc@olemiss.edu](mailto:msbdc@olemiss.edu)

Website: <http://mssbdc.org>

#### MSBDC at Mississippi State University

#1 Research Blvd., Ste 201

P.O. Drawer 5288

MS State, MS 39762-5288

Phone: (662) 325-8684

Fax: (662) 325-4016

## MSBDC Business Assistance Center at University of Mississippi Booneville

NECC Campus (Tues. & Thurs.)

Katie Drewry, Counselor

[kcdrewry@olemiss.edu](mailto:kcdrewry@olemiss.edu)

308 Cunningham Blvd.

Holliday Hall, Rm. 315

Booneville, MS 38829-1700

Phone: (662) 720-7448

## MSBDC Business Assistance Center at University of Mississippi-Tupelo

The Renasant Center for Ideas (Tues. & Thurs.)

Frank Wiebe, Counselor

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398 East Main Street

Tupelo, MS 38801

Phone: (662) 680-6988

## Other Helpful Resources:

National Federation for Independent Businesses

[www.nfib.com](http://www.nfib.com)

National Association for the Self Employed

[www.sba.gov/localresources/index](http://www.sba.gov/localresources/index)

National Small Business Association

[www.nsba.biz](http://www.nsba.biz)

Small Business Guide to Government Grants and Loans

[www.business.gov](http://www.business.gov)

Information for Minority-Owned Businesses

[www.business.gov/topic/minority-owned\\_businesses](http://www.business.gov/topic/minority-owned_businesses)

Information for Self Employed Individuals

[www.business.gov/topic/self-employed](http://www.business.gov/topic/self-employed)

Information for Veteran-Owned Businesses

[www.business.gov/topic/veteran-owned\\_businesses](http://www.business.gov/topic/veteran-owned_businesses)

Information for Women-Owned Businesses

[www.business.gov/topic/women-owned\\_businesses](http://www.business.gov/topic/women-owned_businesses)

Veterans in Business VA Site

[www.vetbiz.gov](http://www.vetbiz.gov)

Patent and Trademark Information

[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

Complying with Employment and Labor Laws

[www.dol.gov](http://www.dol.gov)

Tax Information for Small Businesses

[www.business.gov/topic/taxes](http://www.business.gov/topic/taxes)